

MINUTES
MAINE MILK COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2005
ROOM 233
DEERING BUILDING
HOSPITAL STREET
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

COMMISSION PRESENT: Chair - Michael Wiers, Shelley Doak,
Katherine O. Musgrave and Colon Durrell

COMMISSION ABSENT: John Joseph, Jr.

DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS: None

STAFF PRESENT: Stanley K. Millay, Executive Director

LEGAL COUNSEL: Lucinda White, Assistant Attorney
General - Not Present

INTERVENORS PRESENT: John Blake, H.P.Hood Inc., Thomas
Brigham and John Sawyer, Oakhurst Dairy

OTHERS PRESENT: Julie-Marie Bickford, and Dale Cole,
MDIA

Notices for the March 18, 2005 meeting were mailed to
Commission members, intervenors and other interested parties,
February, 2005 and sent to the Secretary of State's Office for
posting on March 2, 2005.

Michael Wiers, Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:40 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM #1 MINUTES

Katherine Musgrave made a motion to accept the minutes of
the February 18, 2005 special meeting as written. Colon
Durrell seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

AGENDA ITEM #2 LUCINDA WHITE, ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

Lucinda White, Assistant Attorney General was not present.

AGENDA ITEM #3 MINIMUM PRICES

Shelley Doak made a motion to recognize Schedule 3 with the producer cost of production at \$0.74 for April, 2005 on Class I and \$0.15 on Class II and \$1.10/cwt. over-order premium. Katherine Musgrave seconded. Motion passed 3-0

The prevailing premium is \$1.10 for April, 2005 reported by Agri-Mark and Dairy Marketing Service.

The Class I price for April, 2005 is \$17.38 plus \$0.74/cwt cost of production, \$1.10/cwt. prevailing premium and a processor assessment of \$.20/cwt., for a total dealer cost of \$19.42 for April, 2005. The Class I price decreased \$1.30 from February, 2005.

There is no Farm Bill Counter Cyclical Payment for April, 2005.

AGENDA ITEM #4 MAINE MONTHLY PRICE SURVEY

The Commission reviewed the price survey for March, 2005 which included prices for Augusta and Bangor.

AGENDA ITEM #5 NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

- A. April 22, 2005, Friday, starting at 1:30 p.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Food & Rural Resources, Deering Building, Augusta, Maine
- B. May 20, 2005, Friday, starting at 1:30 p.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Food & Rural Resources, Deering Building, Augusta, Maine
- C. June 17, 2005, Friday, starting at 1:30 p.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Food & Rural Resources, Deering Building, Augusta, Maine
- D. July 22, 2005, Friday, starting at 1:30 p.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Food & Rural Resources, Deering Building, Augusta, Maine

Resources, Deering Building, Augusta, Maine

AGENDA ITEM #6 OTHER

1. Milk Commission Budget

The Commission reviewed the income and expenditures

2. Producer Margins

Stanley Millay updated the Commission on the Cost of Production study being conducted by the University of Maine.

AGENDA ITEM #7 EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission did not go into Executive Session

Meeting adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

Stanley Millay